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SOVIET ARMY SUPPLY

Introduction

A. SUPPLY PROCEDURES

1. Responsibility

[redacted] the Battalion Supply and Signal Service major, [redacted] called the Battalion CO's Deputy for Supply (zamestitel' po znabzheniyu), was responsible for all supplies (food, ammunition, POL, etc) within the 735th Sep Radio Communications Bn. Within his subordinate company, the 2d Co, the first sergeant was responsible for supply to the company CO.

2. POL Data

[redacted] battalion drivers went to an unidentified installation in VIENNA for the unit POL supply. The POL was stored in barrels within the battalion area. [redacted] this storage area comprised two underground storage trenches for POL barrels [redacted]. The battalion also had a POL truck, with a ZIS-5 chassis, that was organic to the unit. [redacted] the capacity of this truck was about 1½ tons of gasoline.

[redacted] in the cabs of the unit ZIS-151 there was a plate fastened to the dashboard stating that each truck could travel 900 km. These trucks comprised 34 out of the battalion's 49 vehicles. [redacted] it would take approximately 14,000 l. of POL fuel to fill all the fuel tanks of his battalion's vehicles.

3. Ammunition Supply Data

Concerning units of fire, [redacted] the combat load for the SKS carbine was 100 rounds. 1. This ammunition was carried in three pouches, each pouch having three 10-round clips, and with an additional nine rounds in the magazine on the carbine and one round in the chamber.

4. Other Supply Data

[redacted] unit drew all its food, clothing, and ammunition from [redacted] the central supply depot for Austria at MOEDLING (4805N-1617E), Austria.

Concerning emergency supplies (NZ), [redacted] such supplies were stored in the battalion warehouse. This comprised ammunition and food. Their quantities were unknown [redacted]. One day during the fall of 1954, [redacted] EM were served at a meal some gravy that was made from wormy flour. [redacted] this flour came from the emergency supply.

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50X1 B. MEDICAL INFORMATION

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50X1 [redacted] in Austria [redacted] battalion had two mass
50X1 medical examinations of its personnel. These examinations consisted of an
50X1 X-ray and heart and blood pressure, eye and ear checks. Other than these
50X1 examinations, [redacted] never [redacted] any medical treatment while in the
50X1 army.
50X1 [redacted] battalion had a small four-bed dispensary with
50X1 one doctor, a Lt, and an enlisted aid man. [redacted] this dispensary did
50X1 not have any large equipment. When [redacted] unit had to be X-rayed, they went to
50X1 the unidentified signal regiment dispensary where an X-ray machine was
50X1 available. 3.
50X1 [redacted] there were no women medical personnel in the dispen-
50X1 saries [redacted] The Soviet Army hospital in BADEN [redacted]
50X1 had Soviet Army women personnel. [redacted] there were women doctors
50X1 and Soviet Army women officers and EW operating the hospital. [redacted]
50X1 [redacted] a Soviet Army woman officer, a lieutenant colonel (nu), was the
50X1 CO of the hospital.
50X1 [redacted]
50X1 [redacted]

C. MAINTENANCE INFORMATION

50X1 Concerning battalion repair facilities, [redacted] unit had
50X1 a mobile radio repair truck to service all of its radios. 5.

1. Motor Vehicles

50X1 [redacted] all [redacted] battalion's trucks were new, with the
50X1 exception of two American-made jeeps. In the spring of 1954, three American
50X1 Studebaker trucks were replaced by Soviet-manufactured trucks. These had
50X1 been the only foreign-made trucks [redacted]
50X1 [redacted] battalion had no motor vehicle maintenance 50X1
50X1 facilities and that none of the battalion trucks ever needed major repairs. 50X1
50X1 Occasionally small repairs had to be made, but the drivers took care of 50X1
50X1 them themselves. 50X1

2. Vehicle Driver Training

50X1 [redacted] unidentified drivers' school 6. at 50X1
50X1 EISENSTEIN (4757-12205), Austria. Because of his poor army record, however, 50X1
50X1 [redacted] About six men [redacted] were accepted for training. 50X1
50X1 it was common knowledge that this drivers' course lasted six months and 50X1
50X1 that each trainee was given a certificate of Driver Third Class upon completion 50X1
50X1 of the course. [redacted] 50X1

3. Weapons Repairs

50X1 [redacted] battalion had one small-arms repairman, a 50X1
50X1 private. This individual maintained all of the unit's carbines, SMG's and 50X1
50X1 pistols. [redacted] 50X1

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D. SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE OF INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT

1. Individual Clothing Issues

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<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Description and Remarks</u>
1	Tunic, pullover	Cotton	OD	Issued for six-month period. many of the EM retained their old ones instead of turning them in.
2 pr	Footwraps (summer)	Cotton	White	Issued for wear during summer season.
1	Garrison Cap	Cloth	OD	Exchanged in fall for winter cap.
1	Winter Ear Cap	Fur and Flannel	Grey	Issued for winter season.
1 set	Underwear (summer)	Cotton	White	Turned in to laundry every 10 days. (As of 1 Jan 55, every 7 days.)
1 pr	Boots	Cowhide	Black	Issued for 8-month period.
1 set	Underwear (winter)	Flannel	White	Issued for winter period. Worn over summer underwear. Turned in to laundry every 20 days.
1	Overseas Cap	Cotton	OD	Issued for summer period.
1	Overcoat	Wool and cotton	Grey	Issued for entire period of service.
1	Short Coat	Cotton	OD	Issued for entire period of service.
1	Belt (for tunic)	Leather	Tan	Issued for entire period of service.
1	Belt (for trousers)	Leather	Tan	Issued for entire period of service.
2	Handkerchief	Cotton	White	Issued for six months.
1 pr	Breeches	Wool and cotton	OD	Used for parades and holidays. Issued for entire period of service.
1	Blouse	Wool and cotton	OD	Same as above.

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2. Organizational Equipment Issued

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<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Description and Remarks</u>
1	Knapsack	Cotton	OD	For mess gear and canteen that was also issued.
2	Bedsheets	Cotton	White	Exchanged every 10 days.
1	Blanket	Flannel	Blue	
1	Mattress	Cotton		
2	Pillow cases	Cotton	White	Exchanged every 10 days.

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[redacted] also issued a Shlem-1 gas mask, and a SKS carbine as [redacted] individual weapon.

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3. Repairs of Individual Clothing and Equipment

Minor clothing and equipment repairs were the responsibility of the individual soldier. Any large clothing repairs that were necessary were done by the unit tailor. Boots that needed repair were sent to the unit cobbler.

4. Loss and Wear and Tear of Individual Equipment

[redacted] if any equipment or clothing was lost or stolen from the billets and if it could be proved that the CQ was negligent, this individual paid for the item. Otherwise, the first sergeant assumed the responsibility. [redacted] the first sergeant and the company CO were responsible for all items of issue. [redacted] if a soldier lost anything, he would never have enough money to pay for the item, and so his superiors were charged with it.

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[redacted] if an item of issue wore out or was no longer serviceable [redacted] the first sergeant always found a way to have it replaced.

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5. Special Clothing

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[redacted] fur-lined boots and flannel pants were issued to troops serving in cold weather areas.

E. RATIONS

The typical year-round daily ration follows:

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Daily Allowance</u>
Bread	800 g (summer) 900 g (winter)
Meat	160 g
Fish	160 g
Potatoes	800 g
Tea	?

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F. FINANCE AND PX FACILITIES

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1. Pay Scales

- a. A conscript junior sergeant received 52 shillings per month and had 92 rubles deposited in a bank in the USSR.
- b. A conscript master sergeant received 100 shillings per month and had 140 rubles deposited in a bank in the USSR.
- c. A company CO, regardless of rank, received 1,200 shillings and had 800 rubles deposited per month.

2. Finance Procedures

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[redacted] all the conscript EM of the battalion were paid by their respective first sergeants. [redacted] pay call was once a month, usually the fifteenth of each month. In his company there was no special pay formation. 50X1

All reenlistees and officers of the unit were paid by the battalion finance officer.

3. Post Exchanges

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[redacted] there were two PX's in the caserne area. In these stores only Soviet personnel, military or civilian, could make purchases. [redacted] specific items for sale and their prices at the PX's: 50X1

<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>	50X1
Pastry	1.75 shillings per 250 g	
Chocolate	22-35 shillings per kg	
Film (36 exposures)	8 shillings	50X1
Photo Paper	10 shillings per box	50X1

[redacted] in BADEN (4801N-1614E) there was also a large store (Univermag) for Soviet personnel. [redacted] following items for sale: 50X1

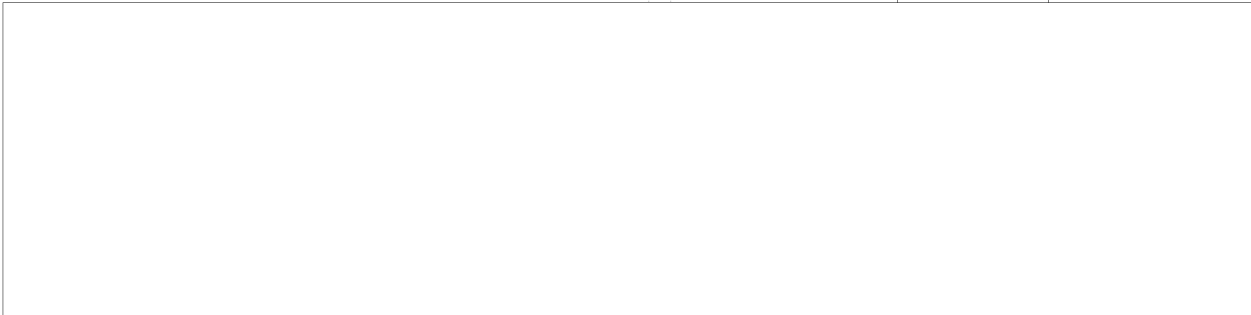
<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>	50X1
Vodka	13.70 shillings per liter	
Cognac	27 shillings per liter	50X1

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